human rights to these people of Indian origin; and

(c) what is the estimated number of these deprived persons in each of these countries?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) India has consistently supported international sanctions against the racist regime in South Africa and has also supported the non racial democratic struggle against Apartheid in all international fora.

India has also taken up the issue of violation of human rights to the people of India origin in Figi with the concerned countries on bilateral basis including members of Commonwealth. We have also expressed our concern in the United Nations and international fora.

(c) There are approximately one million persons of Indian origin in South Africa who are subject to varying degree of discrimination and deprivation under the racist regime.

There are approx., 3,25,000 people of Indian origin in Fiji. Precise information regarding the number of persons in Fiji, who are being discriminated against is not available.

There are nearly 10 1/2 lakhs persons of Indian origin in Trinidad and Tobago, Guyana and Surinam, but we are not aware of their being subjected to denial of job, housing, land-ownership and education facilities.

**Alleging to seal the Newsprint quota for Weekly Paper 'Haryana Darpan'**

2472. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Givernment have received a letter from the Haryana State Committee of the Communist Party of India alleging that the Haryana Government have sealed the newsprint quota for its weekly paper 'Haryana Darpan', and

(b) if so, what action was taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) No such letter has been received by the Registrar of Newspapers.

(b) Does not arise.

**Earnings of Doordarshan from Advertisements**

2473. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) what is the comparative earnings of Doordarshan from the advertisements in 1989-90 as compared to the advertising revenue during 1988-1989;

(b) by what percentage the viewing time of programme has been progressively reduced with the growing number of advertisements;

(c) whether it is a fact that Government propose to further increase the time for advertisements on Doordarshan; and

(d) if so, in what manner the media will achieve its educational, informatory and entertainment objectives?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) The gross revenue earned by Doordarshan from telecast of advertisements and suponsorship of programmes during the two financial years in question was as under:

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| 1988-89 | ... | Rs. 161.26 crores |
| 1989-90 | ... | Rs. 210.13 crores |

(b) to (d) The time devoted to the telecast of commercial advertisements continues to be around 2.5 per cent of the total telecast time as against the ceiling of 10 per cent prescribed for

the purpose. Taking into account that the basic objective of Doordarshan is to educate, inform and entertain people, there is no proposal under the consideration of the Government to increase the ceiling laid down for telecast of commercial advertisements.

**Arming of J & K militants by Iran and Saudi Arabia**

2474. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Mr. Alan Cranston, member of U.S. Senate on Foreign Relations and Intelligence Committee has said that the militants in Jammu and Kashmir are being armed by Iran and financed by Saudi Arabia; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) and (b) Government has seen reports to this effect. However, Government is not aware on what basis the Senator has made this statement.

**मध्य प्रदेश में पुलों का पुनरुद्धार**

2475. श्री अजीत जोगी :
कुमारी आलिया :

क्या जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश में राष्ट्रीय राजमार्गों पर कितने-कितने स्थानों पर विभिन्न पुराने और कम ऊंचाई वाले पुलों का पुनर्निर्माण कार्य चल रहा है, ऐसे कितने कार्य किए जा रहे है और उनकी अनुमानित लागत कितनी है ; और

(ख) ये कार्य कब तक पूर्ण हो जाएंगे

**जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री (श्री के० पी० उन्नीकृष्णन)** : (क) और (ख) : एक विवरण संलग्न है ।

विवरण

| क्र० सं० | राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग सं० | पुल का नाम/स्थान | संस्वीकृत राशि लाख रु० | पूरा होने की संभावित तारीख |
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| 1. | 7 | जिलाड़ा घाट पर नर्मदा नदी पर पुल | 246.00 | 3/91 |
| 2. | 7 | 305/2 कि० मी० में छोटा पुल | 19.41 | 6/90 |
| 3. | 26 | 305/10 कि० मी० में पुल और पहुंच मार्ग | 40.25 | 12/90 |
| 4. | 7 | 394/10 कि० मी० पर छोटा पुल | 34.35 | 3/91 |
| 5. | 3 | 432/10 कि० मी० में उल्हन खरार पुल | 25.94 | 12/91 |
| 6. | 43 | पहुंच मार्गों सहित 156/6 कि० मी० में पुल | 54.17 | 6/92 |
| 7. | 7 | 561/28 कि० मी० में पुल | 21 46 | 3/91 |
| 8. | 26 | 397 कि० मी० पर कुरुभुन्डु नाला पर पुल | 19.50 | 3/91 |
| 9. | 3 | पहुंच मार्गों सहित 544/0 और 544/6 कि० मी० में पुल | 73 84 | 3/91 |